

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

NEPA SHIPPING B.V. and NEPA
TRANSPORT B.V.,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

JINGHUA RIZHAO STEEL GROUP
INTERNATIONAL TRADE CO., RIZHAO
STEEL CO., LTD. and FAME RISEN
DEVELOPMENT LTD.,

Defendants.

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RULE 7.1 STATEMENT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that EDWARD A. KEANE, of the firm of MAHONEY & KEANE, LLP, attorneys of record for Plaintiffs, NEPA SHIPPING B.V. and NEPA TRANSPORT B.V. (collectively "NEPA"), certifies that there are no publicly held corporate parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the NEPA Plaintiffs.

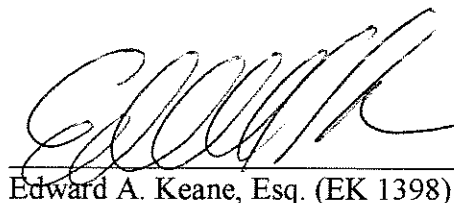
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Respectfully submitted,

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